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Applicants : Orest W. Blaschuk et al.
Application No. : 09/185,908
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For : COMPOUNDS AND METHODS FOR MODULATING CLAUDIN-MEDIATED FUNCTIONS

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated July 26, 2002, and due October 26, 2002 (a Saturday), please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 2-4 to read as follows:

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2. (Five Times Amended) A cell adhesion modulating agent that:

(a) comprises at least five consecutive amino acid residues of a claudin CAR sequence, said claudin CAR sequence being present in a naturally occurring claudin and having the formula:

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